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BODY WEIGHT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, before the first line, please insert the following paragraph: This is a continuation of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP98/02999, with an international filing date of 13 May 1998, now pending, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/854,941, with a filing date of 13 May 1997, now abandoned.

In the Claims:

Delete claim 37.

REMARKS

The specification is amended to recite claimed benefit under 35 USC 120 from International Patent Application PCT/EP98/02999 and its corresponding US application.

No new matter has been added by the above amendment.

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